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# *MARYLAND GAZETTE,*

*Containing the freſheſt Advices foreign and domeſtic.*

THURSDAY, *March* 27, 1755.

*LEOPOL, November* 6.

WE have received Advice, that the Haydamack Coſſacks begin again to make Incurſions in the Neighbourhood of Bar and Mohilow, and have maſſacred divers Perſons. The Nobleſſe of the Diſtricts of Bar, Popowier, and Rodyowyez, have aſſembled in order to clear the Country of thoſe Banditti. A few Days ago they attack'd a Troop of them, killed two on the Spot, wounded two more, and took ſix Horſes: The reſt of the Haydamacks eſcaped into the Woods.

*Legborn, November* 9. The Malteze Veſſels have taken an Algerine Corſair in the Levant Seas, and brought him to Malta; upon which ſeveral Barbary Pirates, being apprehenſive of the like Fate, have haſten'd back to their reſpective Harbours.

*Paris, December* 7. According to Letters from Montpellier, they have had one of the moſt terrible Showers of Rain that ever was known in this Country. It began the 11th of laſt Month, at Nine in the Morning, and did not end till Seven the next Morning. A violent Hurricane aroſe at the ſame Time, which ſwept away all the Gravel of the Road from Montpellier as far as the Barrack of Coudognan, which is five Leagues from that City. All the Parapets of the Bridges were blown down. The Cauſeway of the Bridge of Lunel was broke in fifteen Places, and the Breaches were ſo deep, that the Paſſengers were up to the Middle in Water. The Banks of the Vidourle, a River that runs under the Bridge of Lunel, were likewiſe broke in ſeveral Places; by which the Plain of Lunel, and ſeveral adjacent Cantons, were entirely overflowed. A Rivulet called the Tave carried away the Bridge of the Highway that leads from Bagnols to Avignon; and the Bridge of Bagnols has been much damaged by the overflowing of the River Ceze.

*Hanover, December* 24. The Deliberations of the States of the Landgraviate of Heſſe-Caſſel, who are actually aſſembled, turn on the following Points:

1. To take the beſt Meaſures for inviolably maintaining the Religion, Laws and Conſtitutions of the Country.

2. To this End it ſhall be expreſly ſtipulated, that Prince Frederick of Heſſe, when he comes to the Regency, ſhall not have it in his Power to alter what is eſtabliſh'd by the ſaid Laws, nor grant any Church to the Roman Catholics for the public Exerciſe of their Religion.

3. That the ſaid Prince ſhall not chuſe a Confeſſor out of any Orders beſides thoſe that ſhall be ſpecified.

4. That the Princes, his Sons, till they are of Age, ſhall be under the immediate Direction of the reigning Landgrave or the States of the Country, the Prince their Father being quite excluded from the Direction or Care of their Education.

5. That the County of Hanau ſhall be given to the Eldeſt of thoſe Princes, upon their Father's Acceſſion to the Regency of the Landgraviate; it being withal underſtood, that the Prince Poſſeſſor of the County of Hanau muſt profeſs the Proteſtant Religion.

6. And the better to inſure the Execution of theſe Arrangements, they ſhall be guarantied by the Kings of Pruſſia and Denmark, as alſo by the Maritime Powers, and the Evangelic Body of the Empire.

*Franckfort, December* 24. We have already receiv'd the agreeable News, that the King of Pruſſia, at the Inſtances of the Landgrave of Heſſe Caſſel, has been the firſt to guaranty all the Meaſures taken by his Serene Highneſs, for maintaining the Proteſtant Religion for ever in his Houſe, and throughout his Dominions, notwithſtanding the Converſion or Perverſion of the Prince his Son and Succeſſor. The King of Pruſſia ought certainly to be conſider'd as the greateſt Protector and principal Bulwark of the Proteſtant Religion in Germany; and the Proof he has juſt given of it is too generous, and too noble, not to be imitated by all Princes of the ſame Religion. We have therefore Room to hope they will ſoon give Acts of Guaranty as ſtrong and as extenſive as that of his Pruſſian Majeſty is ſaid to be.

*Franckfort, December* 25. According to Advices from the Dutchies of Brunſwick, Mecklenburgh, and Holſtein, a great Number of Horſes have been lately bought up there, for remounting the Imperial Cavalry.

*Warſaw, December* 11. We are inform'd, by the laſt Letters from Podolia, that the Body of Turkiſh Troops which had been aſſembled on the Frontiers of Walachia, is gone into Winter Quarters, and that the Hoſpodars of Walachia and Moldavia have expreſſed their Satisfaction at the Manner in which our Government has ſettled the Affair of the Ordination of Oſtrog.

*Vienna, December* 14. Some Letters from Hungary bring an Account of a terrible Fire at Adrianople, whereby upwards of 4000 private Houſes, and many public Edifices, have been reduced to Aſhes.

*Berlin, December* 17. We are inform'd by divers private Letters, that a Fire broke out a few Days ago at Strelitz, a Town within five Miles of Oppelen in Sileſia, which raged ſo fiercely, that above Two thirds of the Town are reduced to Aſhes.

*Naples, December* 3. We are actually building ſeveral Frigates in this Port, and 'tis ſaid his Majeſty has reſolved to encreaſe his Marine with ſix Ships of the Line. This Augmentation, and that lately made in our Land Forces, occaſion much Speculation and various Conjectures.

*Genoa, December* 7. Letters from Madrid adviſe, that the Duke de Duras, the French Embaſſador, is endeavouring to bring about a Treaty of Commerce between the French and Spaniards, and to get Sweden, Denmark and Pruſſia, included therein, as Powers in Alliance with the Crown of France. The ſame Letters inform us, that they continue to make Levies all over Spain, in order to augment all their Regiments, both Horſe and Foot.

*Vienna, Dec.* 23. Our Court being deſirous to give a Proof of its Regard for the Intereſts of England, has lately made ſtrong Solicitations to the King of Pruſſia to engage him to put a Stop to the Miſunderſtanding which at preſent ſubſiſts between his Majeſty and the Britiſh Nation in relation to the Payment of the Remainder of the Sileſia Loan.

*Paris A la-main, Dec.* 13. Some Officers of the Regiment of Lowendahl being piqued at a late Promotion of one of their Brethren, whom the Colonel of the Regiment thought proper to advance in Conſideration of his good Behaviour, ſeveral of them ſent him Challenges, all which he accepted. They met accordingly at the Place appointed, where he defeated four of his Antagoniſts ſucceſſively; and as he was going to engage with the fifth, another got behind and run him through the Back; and imagining he was dead, they both made their Eſcape. A Countryman coming by, and finding him in this dangerous Situation, enquired into his Story, which the Officer had juſt Strength enough to relate before he expired. The Countryman made the beſt of his Way to Town, and diſcovered the Affair, upon which People were ſent in Purſuit of the two Officers, who were both taken, and are now under Proſecution for the Murder of their Comrade.

*Paris, Dec.* 20. Though the Duke de Mirepoix's Departure for London is poſtponed for a few Days, this Delay is not to be aſcribed to any other Reaſons beſides what has been ſaid in former Advices. It is certain that our Court is ſincerely inclined to terminate the Differences in America; and that the Duke de Mirepoix has put off his Departure for a few Days, with no other View but that he may be better provided, at his Return to England, with Inſtructions to ſettle, on ſolid Principles, all the Points which have occaſioned Diſputes between the two Powers. The King of Great Britain's Speech to his Parliament, which we impatiently expected, is not of ſuch a Nature as to exclude the Temperaments deviſed here for adjuſting thoſe Diſputes.

*Paris, Dec.* 14. Laſt Month they had a dreadful Hurricane at Limoges and Places adjacent, which carried away the Roofs of moſt of the Houſes, and tore up abundance of Trees by the Roots. This Storm was accompanied with Rain, Thunder and Lightning.

*Chamberry, Dec.* 9. The Smugglers continue their Traffic in divers Provinces of France, into which they know how to make their Way, in ſpight of the Detachments of Regular Troops ſent to watch them: Since their notable Expedition to Puy in Velay, they have made many others equally ſucceſsful. Carouge, a Place on the Frontiers of Savoy, and not far from Geneva, is their uſual Rendezvous, whither Abundance of People repair, out of Curioſity to ſee them. From thence, when they want to go into Switzerland, they ford the River Arve, which ſeparates the Territories of Geneva from thoſe of Savoy, but always do it in the Night, and with a great deal of Precaution; after which they travel a Mile upon the Territory of Geneva, proceed to Chablais, paſs the Lake, and then go to Neuf Chatel to buy up what Quantity of Tobacco they want. Then returning by the ſame Rout to Carouge, their Bands diſperſe immediately, ſome marching into Dauphiny, the Lyoneze, and Auvereze, and others into Franche-County, Burgundy, and Champagne.

The 6th Inſtant Mandrin, their Chief, returned at the Head of 100 Men from an Incurſion he had made into the three laſt mention'd Provinces, and the next Day he ſet out from Carouge for Switzerland; but he left on the Confines of Burgundy another Detachment under the Command of one of his Lieutenants, with Orders to act as uſual in his Abſence.

Thoſe Smugglers behave very orderly in our Country, and in the Swiſs Territories, Mandrin taking care to make them obſerve the ſtricteſt Diſcipline. This Mandrin is very well known in Savoy, and in his native County, Dauphiny: He is about 36 Years old, of a comely Countenance, tall, well ſet, robuſt, and very nimble: To theſe bodily Endowments he joins a quick Wit and ſound Judgment, a free and polite Carriage, a mild Temper, but quick at reſenting an Offence, an Intrepidity capable of any Undertaking, with an admirable Coolneſs and Preſence of Mind in Time of Danger; ſo temperate and ſober, that Wine never overcame his Reaſon; ſo patient and indefatigable, that he would venture upon any deſperate Attempt, and go through any Hardſhips, to gratify his Ambition: In ſhort, he ſeems to have wanted nothing but Opportunity, and a Poſt ſuited to his Talents, to make a Figure in the World, and be honourably talk'd of. But he is become what he is, by a Series of Adventures, which we have not Time nor Room to relate.

*Lyons, Dec.* 14. Eight Hundred Regular Troops are to march forthwith towards Gex, in order to diſperſe the Smugglers, whoſe Number increaſes every Day. This Corps is to be headed by the Sieur Fiſcher, who in the laſt War commanded a Regiment of light armed Men in the King's Service, and is daily expected in Dauphiny, in order to concert Meaſures with M. de la Morliere, who is actually in that Province with his Regiment, and has loſt many of his Men by Deſertion, who have taken on in the Service of Mandrin, Captain General of the Smugglers.

*Paris A la main, Dec.* 27. Our laſt Accounts of the Smugglers import, that Mandrin, at the Head of forty Men, appeared lately before the Gates of Beaune in Burgundy, and forcing his Way into the Town, ſummoned the Mayor to pay him 50,000 Livres. This Magiſtrate repreſented to him, that it was impoſſible for him to raiſe the Money immediately; upon which Mandrin ſaid he would return next Day; which he did accordingly;

ſingly; and the Mayor prevailed with him to accept of 20,000 Livres; Mandrin gave him Tobacco to the Amount; and ſaid he followed this Trade to indemnify himſelf for the Loſſes he had ſuffered by Seizures.

*Toulon, Nov.* 3. The Sage Man of War, Commodore de Galliſſioniere, appeared in Sight laſt Monday in our Road, and was forced into the Harbour in a violent Gale of Wind, and a very rough Sea. Fourteen Perſons went out immediately in a ſmall Boat, to go on board of her; but the Boat overſetting, Ten were drowned. The Gracioſa Frigate was alſo forced in by a Guſt of Wind; but will put to Sea again as ſoon as the Weather will permit, to cruize on the Coaſt, in Company with the Roſe Frigate, for a Fortnight. The Lyon Man of War came in here Yeſterday, and immediately unrigged, having conſumed all her Proviſions. The Hermione Frigate will ſail in a Day or two, on a Cruize for three or four Months, and afterwards go to Rochfort, to be laid up.

*Bourdeaux, Nov.* 16. So terrible a Storm aroſe here laſt Sunday as was never known before. A Ship which came from Guardaloupe, and was juſt coming into the River, foundered, and all the Crew were drowned. Several other Ships which were at Anchor broke their Cables, and received infinite Damage by driving one againſt another. The City has not ſuffered leſs than the Shipping, many Houſes have been ſtript of their Roofs, their Chimneys blown down, and their Windows broke.

*Vienna, Nov.* 13. We have Advice that the Earthquake, which lately happen'd at Grand Cairo, has deſtroy'd near 40,000 People.

*Paris, Dec.* 21. Some public Papers have already made mention of the Secret found out by the Sieur Cartereau, for converting Iron into fine Steel, not inferior to the beſt we import from Foreigners, and that he had made Twenty Thouſand Pounds at one Trial; and now we inform the Public, that he is preparing to turn out Seventy Thouſand Pounds more at once; in which Operation, we muſt obſerve, there is no Loſs, any Quantity of Iron yielding the ſame Weight in Steel; and the Fire, with which he executes it, is the ſame that he makes Uſe of in baking Tiles, Bricks, and Earthen Ware. The King has granted the Sieur Cartereau an exclufive Patent for this new Invention, and impowered him to open Warehouſes all over the Kingdom, for the Vent of his Steel.

*Paris, Dec.* 28. The 14th Inſtant, at Seven in the Morning, a Cloud of Fire, follow'd by a moſt dreadful Clap of Thunder, cover'd the whole Village of St. Aubin, ſituated in Lorrain, between Ligny and Void. The Terror it occaſion'd was ſo great, that Horſes and other Cattle broke their Bridles and Halters, and ran wildly about the Streets and Fields. The Lightning fell upon the Church, in which there were then two young Women, who fell ſenſeleſs to the Ground; by the ſame Flaſh the Top of the Confeſſion Box, the Steeple Door, and the lower Windows, were beat down, and the Walls of the Church ſhaken and crack'd. The Lightning made its Way through the Loft of the Steeple, and broke down the Timbers that ſupported the great Bell, which fell upon the ſecond Bell, and broke that, together with the Clock. The Covering of the Steeple was carried away, and the South and Weſt Angles beat down: The Materials were diſperſed with ſo prodigious a Force, that Stones weighing above 80 *lb.* were thrown upon the Iſle of the Church above twenty two Yards from the Steeple, and ſome upon adjacent Houſes, the Roofs of which they broke through. It fortunately happen'd that no Lives were loſt, nor did any Place take Fire. The Mayor of the Village, who was then ſtanding in his Yard at a good Diſtance from the Church, found himſelf ſuddenly ſurrounded with Fire and Smoke, and remained about a Minute without either Sight or Senſe. The ſame Day they had terrible Claps of Thunder at Commercy, which is three Leagues from St. Aubin; but we don't hear of any Damage done there.

## LONDON, *December* 10.

*Extract of a Letter from Amſterdam, dated Dec.* 2.

"The Affairs of America between the Engliſh and French ſeem to be growing very ſerious; the latter are rendering themſelves very powerful, by building Forts upon the Territories of the Indians, and near the Colonies of the former; by this Means, they conſtrain the Indians to do what they have a Mind they ſhould. If a War ſhould happen in this Part of the World, the Engliſh, in their preſent Situation, tho' they have very powerful Colonies there, would not be able to make a proper Reſiſtance to ſuch an unprovoked Attack; ſince the French, being Maſters of Canada, and of all the Country, as far as Miſſiſippi, are in a Condition of gaining the Point they at preſent aim at, that is, of fixing Forts upon the Frontiers of the Engliſh Settlements, and thereby rendering themſelves capable of annoying them whenever they think fit; and it is believed they will effect it, in Caſe they do but treat the Indian Nations which are between them and the Engliſh with Humanity and Kindneſs. It was believed by moſt People, till the Engliſh ſent their laſt Reinforcement, that the Miniſtry of both Courts would have let the Governors of the ſeveral Provinces in America have acted as they pleaſed: But Things are now arrived to ſuch a Pitch, that there is Danger of the two European Nations intereſting themſelves in theſe Contentions about Limits.'

*December* 31. On Saturday Morning laſt a moſt inhuman Murder was committed by a Journeyman Shoemaker in Fiſher's Alley, near Cox's Square, Petticoat Lane, on the Body of his Wife. The poor Woman had been out at Chair-Work, and having earned 18 d. the Huſband inſiſted on having the Money, which ſhe refuſed to deliver, and making ſome Reſiſtance, he puſh'd her down in the Cellar, and ſtabb'd her in ſeveral Parts of the Body, and broke her Skull with his Hammer. After this he ſtript her naked, and carried her up Stairs, and put her into Bed to two Children, one of whom was near four Years old, and, to keep the Child from crying, he gave him a Piece of Bread to eat; and ſome of the Neighbours going accidentally into the Room, found the Child eating the Piece of Bread, which was bloody. The Fellow was ſeized at Night, and committed into ſafe Cuſtody.

Letters from Nantz of the 14th Inſtant bring Advice, that a Ship was arriv'd there from Fort Louis in the Iſland of St. Domingo, with an Account of a dreadful Hurricane that happen'd there the 18th of September, whereby twelve large Ships were drove aſhore at Fort Louis, beſides many ſmall Craft wreck'd; many Perſons, both Whites and Blacks, were kill'd by the Fall of Buildings, &c. the Sugar and Indigo Plantations ſuffer'd exceſſively; and 'tis computed that by this Hurricane they have loſt above 1700 Hogſheads of Sugar.

*Birmingham, December* 9. On Friday laſt a Woman at Dudley, diſordered in her Senſes, who had two Children, took them both to a Well in the Neighbourhood, the Eldeſt of which ſhe flung into it, and then jump'd in herſelf, with the other in her Arms, and ſhe and both her Children were drown'd.

*Bath, Dec.* 26. Laſt Tueſday Morning between One and Two o'Clock, we had prodigious Flaſhes of Lightning, attended by loud Claps of Thunder, which ſhook even the very Houſes; and we hear that ſeveral Ewes, which were in a Field in the Pariſh of Box, were ſo frighted with it, that they ran into the Brook and were drowned; on opening them, ſome had two Lambs, and others three within them.

Friday Evening we had again very great Flaſhes of Lightning, with ſome Claps of Thunder; very uncommon at this Time of the Year.

*Canterbury, December* 21. Laſt Thurſday Margaret Mantle was indicted for the Murder of her Baſtard Child, and after a long Trial was found guilty, and receiv'd Sentence of Death, which is to be put in Execution this Day, and her Body is to be deliver'd to the Surgeons for Diſſection, purſuant to the late Act of Parliament.

*St. JOHN's (in Antigua) January* 10.

We are informed from Calco-Bay, that 150 People lately died there in about ten Days.

*January* 28. We are credibly informed by a Gentleman, who arrived here Yeſterday from London, that the Earl of Egmont is appointed Secretary of State, in the Room of Sir Thomas Robinſon, who is made Paymaſter of the Forces, in the Room of William Pitt, Eſq;

*January* 30. We are poſitively aſſured by private Letters from London, that Meſſieurs Hanbury and Tomlinſon are appointed Agents for remitting and furniſhing the Paymaſters with all the Money which ſhall be wanted for the Pay and Subſiſtence of the Troops that are, or will be ſent to North America, or which may be raiſed in thoſe Parts.

## BOSTON.

*February* 24. Saturday laſt was publiſhed here, an Act paſſed by the General Court in their preſent Seſſion, entituled, "An Act for the more effectual carrying into Execution ſuch Orders as ſhall at any Time be given by his Majeſty's Governor or Commander in Chief, at the Deſire of the two Houſes of Aſſembly, or of the Council, the General Court not ſitting, for reſtraining Veſſels from ſailing to any Ports without this Province."

We have a Report in Town, that ſeveral of our Northern Veſſels are detained in the Harbour of Louiſburgh.

*March* 3. In a violent Storm of Wind, Snow and Rain, on Monday laſt, the Wind at S. E. a Schooner inward bound from the Weſt Indies, laden with Melaſſes, was forced on Shore upon Mahant Beach, and bilged: The Mens Lives were ſaved with great Difficulty, as was alſo the Cargo, and 'tis hoped the Veſſel may be got off.

Tueſday laſt his Excellency, with the Advice of his Majeſty's Council, and at the Deſire of the Honourable Houſe of Repreſentatives, iſſued a Proclamation, appointing Thurſday the 20th Day of March Inſtant, to be obſerved as a general Faſt throughout this Province.

By a Letter from a Gentleman at Newport, we have Advice, that Capt. Hunt arrived there laſt Monday, in 17 Days from St. Euſtatia, and was at St. Vincents, a few Days before; he confirms the News of fifteen Dutch Veſſels being taken at the Neutral Iſlands, with the Addition of their being condemn'd: He was inform'd, that there were 18 Sail of Men of War arrived at Martinico, from France. Capt. Hunt makes no Doubt of the Truth of the Advice, as to ſome being arrived, but queſtions the Number.

We have ſundry late Accounts from the Eaſtward, that upwards of 300 Indians, with French Officers among them, have been hovering about our Settlements for ſeveral Days; and that it was generally expected they would ſoon make an Attack upon ſome of them.

We hear that Capt. Rogers, bound hither from Halifax, is put into Piſcataqua; and it is ſaid, he has brought with him ſeveral Gentlewomen and Children, which looks, as if they expected an unfriendly Viſit in thoſe Parts.

## NEW-YORK.

*March* 3. A Report is prevalent in Town, that a Frenchman, who fled from Canada, and arrived at Albany a few Days ago, brings Advice, that laſt Summer three French Men of War, two of 80 Guns, and the other of 50, arrived at Quebeck, with 1000 Soldiers on board; that ſoon after their Arrival, one of the Ships was loſt at Quebeck, and that another of them was afterwards loſt in going down the River St. Lawrence.

Capt. Theobalds from Spaniſh Town, who arrived here laſt Saturday, informs us, That all the Dutch and Daniſh Veſſels that were in the French Ports in the Weſt Indies, have been lately ſeized and confiſcated:——And that the Dutch having ſent a Flag of Truce to Martinico, to demand Satisfaction, were anſwered, very politely, "That the French had determined to ſupport their Actions, and the others might ſeek their Remedy if they pleas'd."

Capt. Green, in 30 Days from Kingſton, in Jamaica, acquaints us, that Governor Knowles had diſpatch'd one of his Majeſty's Ships of War down to Port Mahoo, in order, as it was ſaid, to demand the Reſtitution of the Bay of Honduras.

*March* 10. Thurſday laſt Lieutenant Colonel Mercer, of Sir William Pepperell's Regiment, arrived here from Boſton; and it is currently reported, that that Regiment will ſoon move this Way.

*The SPEECH of his Excellency* JONATHAN BELCHER, *Eſq; Captain General and Commander in Chief of the Province of* New-Jerſey, *to the Council and General Aſſembly of the ſaid Province, met at* Elizabeth-Town, *on* Tueſday, *the 25th of* February, 1755.

*Gentlemen of the Council, and of the General Aſſembly,*

NOTHING leſs than his Majeſty's Commands, in a Letter I have receiv'd from Sir Thomas Robinſon (ſince our laſt Sitting) one of his Majeſty's principal Secretaries of State, dated Whitehall, October 26, 1754, could have prevailed upon me to ſummon you to meet me at this Time, conſidering the Seaſon, and the Difficulty of the Roads.

Nor could any Thing but the weak State of my Health, prevented my meeting you at Burlington or Perth-Amboy.

That you may have the cleareſt View of his Majeſty's paternal Care and Goodneſs for the Safety and Welfare of this Province (as well as of thoſe of our Neighbours) I ſhall order the Letter above mentioned to be laid before you; and therein you will find his Majeſty particularly expects from you, and that without any Delay, viz.

'That you ſhould carefully provide a ſufficient 'Quantity of freſh Victuals, at the Expence of 'your Government, to be ready for the Uſe of 'the Troops at their Arrival.

'That you ſhould likewiſe, furniſh the Officers, 'who may have Occaſion to go from Place to 'Place, with all Neceſſaries for travelling by Land.

'And that there be Care taken for quartering 'the Troops, providing all Neceſſaries for ſuch 'Forces as ſhall arrive, or be raiſed within your 'Government, and that his Majeſty will expect

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that the Charge thereof be defray'd by his Subjects belonging to the same.

'And as to other Articles, you will use your utmost Endeavours to induce the Assembly of your Province to raise, forthwith, as large a Sum as can be afforded, as their Contribution to this common Fund, to be employ'd provisionally for the Service of North-America, particularly for paying the Charge of levying the Troops, to make up the Complement of the Regiments.'

The Arrival of his Majesty's General and Commander in Chief of the Forces now raised and raising is daily expected, together with the Regiments from Ireland, and from New-England, at Virginia, for immediately prosecuting from thence his Majesty's Royal Orders, in the present Exigency of Affairs.

*Gentlemen of the General Assembly,*

Having laid these Things before you, and that most of the neighbouring Governments have raised proportionable Sums for aiding and assisting in the present Expedition against the French and Indians; I shall not doubt your now raising such a Sum of Money, as his Majesty may justly and reasonably expect from you, and to be with the greatest Dispatch, as being what you will see the Nature of the Case absolutely requires.

As the Lives, Liberties civil and religious, and the Properties of the People of this Province, are greatly in Danger at this critical Conjuncture, I have Reason to believe that your chearfully falling into your Duty to the King, for the Safety of his Subjects here, will be very acceptable to your Constituents.

Notwithstanding the Answer you gave me the last Session, respecting the Militia Act, yet I must subjoin to the foregoing Article, that I think it absolutely necessary for the King's Service, and for the Safety of the good People of the Province, that the Militia Act be well revised and bettered, by raising the Fines for Non-appearances of the private Men; for upon the General Muster, (which I lately ordered) the Officers have made Complaints to me, that the Fines are so low, as that considerable Numbers will not attend their Duty, as also, that the Musters by Law being so seldom, the Men are very ignorant in the Exercise of Arms; so that the yearly Musters ought to be at least doubled.

And it would be well to enquire, whether the Act may not also be made better, for obliging the Officers of the several Regiments, to the more strict Compliance with their Duty.

As the Militia of the Province is (under God) the only Defence we can make, upon an Attack from the Enemy, I think this Article is of great Importance to the Quiet and Safety of the Province, and to be taken (without Delay) into your most mature Deliberation.

*Gentlemen of the Council, and of the General Assembly,*

After your having fully gone through these Affairs, if you have any Thing to lay before me for his Majesty's Service, and the Benefit of the Province, I shall chearfully attend to it, or otherwise give you a Recess, to such Time as may be most convenient for your Meeting again.

*J. BELCHER.*

*To his Excellency* JONATHAN BELCHER, *Esq; Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over his Majesty's Province of* New-Jersey, *and Territories thereon depending in* America, *Chancellor and Vice Admiral in the same, &c.*

The humble ADDRESS of the Representatives of said Province in General Assembly met.

*May it please your Excellency,*

WE his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Representatives of the Colony of New-Jersey in General Assembly met, having taken the Matters recommended in your Excellency's Speech into Consideration, are fully convinced of the Necessity your Excellency was under of convening us together at this Time, tho' the Inclemency of the Season, and other Difficulties, has made it a Task that we should chose to have avoided, if it could have been without Prejudice to the Service recommended in Sir Thomas Robinson's Letter.

That Part in particular which seems to require the Providing of Carriages and Necessaries, for such Forces as shall arrive within this Government, appearing to us of immediate Necessity, we have passed a Bill for providing a Sum, which by the Calculation we have made, will be fully sufficient for the Subsistence of such of his Majesty's regular Forces, with their Baggage, and the necessary Carriages, as can be expected to pass through this Province, whilst on their March through the same.

With Regard to the other Particulars mentioned in Sir Thomas Robinson's Letter, it is known to your Excellency, that at the late Sitting in October last, at Perth-Amboy, a Bill was agreed on by this House, for providing the Sum of Ten Thousand Pounds for his Majesty's Use on that Occasion, which could not be known in England at the Time of writing the said Letter, it being dated in the same Month, and as the said Bill was very soon after the said Sessions ended transmitted for his Majesty's Royal Approbation, we are not without Hopes it has had the desired Success before this Time, and that we shall soon be thereby able to answer our full Proportion of the Money that will be necessary on the present Exigency. This, with the Unanimity and Dispatch with which it was accompanied, we hope will be a prevailing Reason with your Excellency to believe our Intentions heartily in the Service; and that while we are waiting a few Weeks for the necessary Means to make our Endeavours the more effectual, we shall not be thought to have any latent Reserve, inconsistent with the Design.

The Militia Bill was at the last Sitting, on your Excellency's Recommendation, fully considered, and thought by the House sufficient to answer the Designs intended by it; but as your Excellency was pleased to recommend it to us again, we have now reconsidered the same; and are still of Opinion, it is sufficient to answer what is proposed by it.

Having gone through the Affairs your Excellency has recommended, and such other Matters as we esteemed of immediate Importance, we know of nothing else sufficient to detain us at this Time.

Our Meeting at this Place, contrary to the established Practice of the Government, is such an Infringement on our Rights, that nothing but your Excellency's declining State of Health, and the Necessity of the Business we have done can justify us to our Constituents, for attempting, by any Act of ours, to alter a Custom that our Ancestors have thought necessary to establish as one of the Fundamentals of this Government.

Assembly-Chamber,
*March* 1, 1755. *By Order of the General Assembly,*
ROBERT LAWRENCE, *Speaker.*

The General Assembly of New-Jersey, were adjourned on the 3d Instant, to the 16th of April next; after the Governor had given his Assent to *An Act to prevent the Exportation of Provisions, Naval or Warlike Stores, from the Colony of* New Jersey, *to* Cape Breton, *or any other the Dominions settled by the Subjects of the* French *King:* And to another, entituled, *An Act for making Provision for the Subsistence of his Majesty's Forces during their March through this Colony, and for providing Carriages for transporting their Baggage.*

We also hear from New-Jersey, that the worthy Col. PETER SCHUYLER, near Newark, has requested and obtained Leave of the Governor, to raise 400 Men at his own Charge, to be in Readiness to march to the Assistance of the City of New-York, or any Place in their Neighbourhood, if it should happen to be attacked by the French, or other Enemies of Great-Britain.——*Is not this Patriotism indeed!*

## PHILADELPHIA, *March* 11.

His Excellency CHARLES KNOWLES, Esq; Governor of Jamaica, dissolv'd the Assembly of that Island on the 24th of January last with the following SPEECH.

*Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Assembly,*

IT is with the utmost Concern I find myself obliged to part with an Assembly, which hath given me such Assurances of carrying on the Public Business with Temper and Harmony, before you could compleat those important Matters, which made it necessary to call you together at this Time of the Year. But however well I may be satisfied with you in other Respects, my Duty to the best of Kings in the Office which I have the Honour to hold, leaves me not at Liberty to act in Concert with you, while you suffer a Man, who was convicted of Disaffection, and treasonable Expressions against his Majesty's Royal Person and Government, to sit among you, and who was publicly punished for it, and is still under a Recognizance for his good Behaviour.

I do therefore, in his Majesty's Name, by and with the Advice of his Council, dissolve this present Assembly, and you are hereby dissolved accordingly.

Last Friday an *additional Charter* passed the Great Seal of this Province, by which a COLLEGE, in the most extensive Sense of the Word, is erected in this City, and added to that Collection of Schools, formerly called the *Academy*, under the same general Government, the Trustees being now incorporated by the Name of "*The* TRUSTEES *of the College, Academy and Charitable School of Philadelphia, in the Province of Pennsylvania.*" The chief Masters are also made a FACULTY, or learned Body, by the Name of "*The Provost, Viceprovost and Professors of the College and Academy of Philadelphia*; and a Power of *admitting* Students and others to the usual UNIVERSITY-DEGREES is granted, under such wise and judicious Restrictions, that the Honours of the Seminary can hardly ever be prostituted to mean or venal Purposes, but must be the Object of every Student's Ambition, who is capable of distinguishing between real and counterfeit *Honour*.

The Public is desir'd to beware of Counterfeit Mill'd Pieces of Eight, which are now passing among us: They are exceedingly well done, and of the Year 1754; but may be easily discover'd, having PHILIP, instead of FERDINAND, on them; and when rubb'd a little, the base Metal appears.

## ANNAPOLIS.

*Yesterday his Excellency the Governor prorogued the General Assembly of this Province, to the first Day of* July *next; after passing the following Laws,* viz.

*An Act directing the Commissioners of the Currency-Office speedily to call in the Interest due on Bonds, and other Securities, and all Monies due on Funds payable into the said Office.*

*An Act for the Continuance of Process in* Baltimore *County Court.*

*An Act for regulating the Rates of Carriages, and Quartering Soldiers in Public Houses, within this Province, for his Majesty's Service.*

*An Act to prevent the People of this Province from supplying the* French, *or their* Indian *Allies, with Ammunition, Warlike Stores, or Provisions of any Kind.*

*An Act for the Relief of Inspectors, and Owners of Tobacco, and others, who have suffered by Means of extraordinary Rains and high Tides, and other Defects in the Inspection Law.*

*And Two private Acts.*

*Since our last we have the Pleasure of hearing of the safe Arrival of Capt.* Rawlings *at* Alexandria; *the Forces being now all safe arrived, and landed there.*

*Yesterday the Negro Fellow, condemn'd at our last County Court for the barbarous Murder of his Overseer, was executed at the lower Part of this County, near the Place where he committed the Fact, and his Body afterwards hung in Chains.*


LENT, but forgot to whom, one of the Bodies of Laws of this Province. On the Title Page is wrote *Robert Gordon.* Whoever has got it, is desired to return it to the Printer hereof.

THE Subscriber, living in *Baltimore-Town*, having procured an excellent Hand, carries on the CLOCK and WATCH-MAKING Business, where any Gentlemen, or Others, who shall be pleased to employ him, may depend on being served with Care and Expedition, and in the cheapest Manner.

*Thomas Ward.*

For *Charles-Town*, in *So. Carolina*,

The SHIP *FRIENDSHIP*, JOHN RATTRAY, Master; Now lying in *West* River, and will sail in a few Days. She has extraordinary Accommodations for Passengers. For Passage agree with said Master.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *John Mercer*, near the Head of *South* River, taken up as a Stray, a small Grey Mare, about 3 or 4 Years old, not broke, dock'd, or branded, as can be discern'd.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *James Harrison*, at the Lower Ferry on *Susquehanna*, in *Cecil* County, taken up as a Stray, a Black Horse Colt, branded on the near Shoulder I M, and is about 13 Hands high; but not dock'd.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges. J. Frazier.

THE Subſcribers living near *Upper-Marlborough*, in *Prince George's* County, carry on the Buſineſs of STAY-MAKING in the neateſt and beſt Manner, and after the neweſt Faſhion, they having Variety of all Neceſſaries for carrying on the ſame. And all Perſons who are in want of any, may depend upon being ſerved with all Expedition, and at the cheapeſt Rates, by

*William* and *Colmore Beanes.*

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FOUND in the Poſſeſſion of *Penelope Houſe*, (who has been twice Whipp'd and Pillory'd for Shop-lifting), and committed to the Sheriff's Cuſtody, by Order of Court, as they are ſuppoſed to be ſtolen, the following Things, viz. Two Pieces of black Lace, ſome white Lace, one fine Cambrick Apron, three Yards of Ribbon, one Pair of plain Ruffles, one lac'd Mobb, one Pair of white Stone Ear rings with Drops, one Gold Ring with Stones, and one Velvet Hood.

Whoever has loſt any ſuch Things, may view them at the Sheriff's Office, in *Annapolis*.

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Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *John Babbs*, living at the Head of *Severn*, on *Elk Ridge* Road, a Dark Bay Mare, branded on the near Shoulder with a Horſe Shoe, and on the near Buttock I S, has a Blaze in her Face, and was ſhod before; and had on a ſmall Bell.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

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Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *James Pearre*, junr. near *Bladenſburg*, taken up as a Stray, a Sorrel Mare, branded on the near Shoulder thus LD, is about 12 Hands high, has a Blaze in her Face, a flaxen Mane and Tail, and her fore Feet white.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

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HAVING already ſundry Times advertiſed in this *Gazette*, of which but little Notice has been taken; I find myſelf obliged *once more*, to give public Notice, That all Perſons on the Weſtern Shore of *Maryland* indebted to BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Eſq; and Company, of *Philadelphia*, are deſired to make ſpeedy Payment; and that Attendance will be given at Mr. *Middleton's* in *Annapolis*, the firſt Week in the Provincial Court in *May* next, to receive the ſame.

*William Young.*

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THE *Ship Tavern* in *Annapolis* (lately kept by Mrs. *Marriott*, deceaſed), is ſtill kept by her Daughter, who will always be glad to oblige her Mother's Cuſtomers, or Others.

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NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of Mr. *Joſeph Cowman*, near *Weſt River*, in *Anne Arundel* County, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall Red Steer, about 5 Years old, mark'd with two Crops, a Slit in the left Ear, and an under bit out of the right, with a Star in his Forehead.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

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RAN away from the Subſcriber, living on *Kent-Iſland*, a Servant Man, named *Thomas Johnſon*, about 24 Years of Age: Had on when he went away, a Felt Hat, a Cotton Cap, a Fearnothing Great Coat with Horn Buttons, a green Jacket, a Pair of green Everlaſting Breeches, a Pair of old Sailor's Trowſers, a Pair of ribb'd Stockings, and Double Chanell'd Pumps, with Braſs Buckles. It is ſuppoſed he went away with a Servant Man named *John Cameron*, and that they are gone towards *St. Mary's* County.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servant, and ſecures him ſo that his Maſter may get him again, ſhall have Three Piſtoles Reward, paid by

*Daniel Meconekin.*

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*To be SOLD, by the Subſcriber, to the higheſt Bidder, on Monday the 7th Day of April, for good Bills of Exchange, Sterling, or Paper Money,*

A VERY good Water-Mill, on the Head of *South* River, attended with a plentiful Stream of Water, is well ſituated for a Merchant Mill, and within nine Miles of the City of *Annapolis*; on the Land of ſaid Mill there is a good new Dwelling-Houſe, 21 Feet by 16, Plank Floor, and a good Stone Chimney to it, with two other convenient Houſes.

*Jonathan Rawlings.*

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JONATHAN RAWLINGS,

*At the Houſe lately kept by* Anthony Smith, *about ſeven Miles from* London Town, *on the Road leading to* Calvert *and* St. Mary's *Counties,*

KEEPS TAVERN, where all Gentlemen Travellers may be well accommodated, and meet with good Entertainment and Uſage, from

*Their humble Servant,*

*Jonathan Rawlings.*

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Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *John Owen*, living near the Head of *Great Seneca*, in *Frederick* County, a middle ſiz'd Sorrel Horſe, branded on the near Shoulder with an I, has a ſmall Blaze in his Face, and ſome Saddle Spots.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property and paying Charges.

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*To be LET by the Subſcriber, at* Elk Ridge *Landing, and within One Hundred Yards of the Wharf,*

A GOOD Store-Houſe, 24 by 16, wherein Mr. *Thomas Dorſey* formerly kept Store, under which will be built a good Cellar early this Spring; adjacent to which is a good Salt-Houſe. For Terms apply to

*Baſil Dorſey.*

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*February* 27, 1755.

ALL Perſons indebted to *Richard Gildart*, Eſq; and Sons, of *Liverpool*, Merchants, for Dealings with their ſeveral Factors within this Province, are deſired to ſettle their reſpective Accounts with, and pay the Ballances due to, the Subſcriber, now Agent to the ſaid Company, at *Oxford*, before the firſt Day of *July* next, otherwiſe they may expect to be dealt with, for Recovery thereof, as the Laws, in that Caſe made and provided, direct: And all Perſons who have any Demands on the ſaid Company, are deſired, in that Time, to apply for Payment to

*Thomas Brereton.*

By whom is to be Sold, at *Oxford*, a large Aſſortment of *European* GOODS, on reaſonable Terms.

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RAN away from the Subſcriber, the 20th of *November* laſt, living on *Patuxent* River, near *Upper Marlborough*, in *Prince George's* County, a dark Mulatto Man, named *Sam*, about 5 Feet 9 or 10 Inches high, about 30 Years of Age, a Carpenter by Trade, has a down Look, and low Voice. Had on when he went away, a new Cotton Jacket and Breeches, and Oſnabrigs Shirt; he is ſuppoſed to have taken with him, one Cotton Coat lined with blue, one red Waiſtcoat and Breeches, one blue Silk Coat, one light Cloth Coat, ſome fine Shirts, and one or two good Hats. He is ſuppoſed to be lurking in *Charles* County, near *Bryan-Town*, where a Mulatto Woman lives, whom he has for ſome Time called his Wife; but as he is an artful Fellow, and can read and write, it is probable he may endeavour to make his Eſcape out of the Province.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Runaway, and ſecures him ſo as his Maſter may get him again, ſhall have, if taken out of this Province, Three Pounds; and if within this Province, Forty Shillings, beſides what the Law allows, paid by

*William Digges*, junior.

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NOTICE is hereby given, That the Subſcriber will give conſtant Attendance at his Office, in *Annapolis*, on every Wedneſday and Thurſday before the Tenth of *April* next, to receive all ſuch Money from the Inhabitants of this County as is due from them for Public Levies, or on any other Account, to

*Their humble Servant,*

*John Raitt*, Sheriff of *Anne-Arundel* County.

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ALL Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of Mr. *Stephen Onion*, late of *Baltimore* County, Iron-Maſter, deceaſed, are hereby deſired to come forthwith and diſcharge their reſpective Ballances, to prevent further Trouble: And all Perſons who have any Demands againſt the ſaid Eſtate, are deſired to bring them in, that they may be paid, by

*Deborah Onion*, Executrix.

Said Mrs. *Onion* hath, in *Joppa* Town, to Let, at a reaſonable Rate, a good Dwelling-Houſe, Kitchen, and Ground for a Garden, and Fire-Wood for the Premiſes.

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FINE SALT, juſt imported from *Liverpool*, in the Ship *Unity*, Captain *Birch*, to be Sold cheap for Paper Money or Bills of Exchange, at *Oxford*, by Wholeſale.

*Henry Calliſter.*

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*Baltimore* County, *January* 25, 1755.

BROKE out of the County Goal, laſt Night, at *Joppa*, *John Tucker*, a Ship-Carpenter, about 5 Feet 10 Inches high, has loſt ſome of his fore Teeth, he bends forward when walking, and is about 45 Years of Age.

Whoever apprehends the ſaid *Tucker*, and brings him to my Goal, ſhall have FOUR PISTOLES Reward, if taken in the County; if taken out of the County, FIVE PISTOLES Reward, and reaſonable Charges, paid by

*William Young*, Sheriff.

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*January* 29, 1755.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, living at *Weſt River*, on the 26th of this Inſtant, an Indented Servant Man, named *Thomas Muſprate*, born in *Briſtol*, a Sadler by Trade, about 5 Feet 8 Inches high, of a black Complexion, has ſhort black Hair, and about 30 Years of Age. He had on a Cotton Jacket and Trowſers, an Oſnabrigs Shirt, a blue Pea Jacket, and an old Felt Hat.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servant, and ſecures him in any Goal, ſo that he may be had again ſhall have, if taken in the County, One Piſtole beſides what the Law allows, and if taken out of the County, Two Piſtoles, beſides what the Law allows.

*Stephen Steward.*

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*January* 7, 1755.

THE Commiſſioners of the Paper Currency Office, have, by frequent Advertiſements, deſired the Debtors to that Office to come and pay the Intereſt due on their Bonds, which they have not hitherto complied with: Therefore they now inform all concerned, that they have put ſeveral Bonds in Suit, and that they will continue to do ſo, in every Inſtance, until all the Intereſt Money, due to the ſaid Office, is paid in.

*Signed* per *Order of the Commiſſioners,*

*Richard Dorſey,*
Clerk Paper Currency Office.

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THE Executor of the late Capt. *Thomas Aſkew*, having conſtituted me the Subſcriber his Attorney in Fact, for ſettling his Affairs in this Province; this is to deſire all Perſons who have any Demands on the ſaid *Aſkew's* Eſtate, to bring in their Accounts, that they may be diſcharged: And thoſe indebted are requeſted to make ſpeedy Payments, to prevent Expence to themſelves, and Trouble to

*Lancelot Jacques.*

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